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**THE WEATHER**

Eastern Oregon, Showers and thunderstorms.  
Eastern Washington, and Idaho—Cloudy and occasionally threatening but little if any rain.

**PEOPLE IN THE SADDLE.**

The people have a quiet way of asserting themselves on popular issues and no man may say them nay and hold their favor.

The people of Oregon have made a ringing declaration in favor of that element of their own law which says that the man carrying the endorsement of the people for the United States Senate, shall be sent there by their representatives in the Legislature, and it will probably be done; or there will be an accounting in old Oregon that will go far to the eternal laying of partisan power and individual domination, of which the people of the United States generally, are sick and ashamed.

Parties are all right; and the Republican party is, happily, peculiarly and forcefully right in its present attitude before the people; yet, with all its prestige, it is in the most critical way of chancing public offense, because, unless it discovers, and champions, the popular desire, it will sacrifice the hope of the people and that was never forgiven. The present hope of the people lies in a wider political freedom; in the assumption of exact powers heretofore delegated, and wretchedly abused; in curbing, and even dispensing with, one-man control everywhere; and in the reservation to the electorate of the last and lawful declaration upon all men and issues, at the bar of public discrimination and selection.

We shall contend for the perpetuation of the highest ideals of the Republican party, national, state and local, and strive to elect the men who stand for them, always; but the larger and nobler task of divining an heralding the will of the people, swinging it into the very front of party knowledge and treatment and championship, where it must serve its purpose of defeat, or victory, as the rank and file shall elect, is still our best and gravest duty and we shall do it to the limit of our capacity.

**NO WARSHIPS HERE.**

That the Columbia Valley is to be denied the presence of the great flying fleet of war vessels in which pub-

lic interest is deeply centered, is a foregone conclusion with every man who knows anything about the care that is given such priceless possessions. The Government will not risk the ships on the Columbia bar nor in the Columbia river because there is not sufficient water to make their visit assuredly safe. It is a bitter disappointment to hundreds of thousands of people in Oregon, but even that is infinitely cheaper than the piling up of ships that cost from \$4,000,000 to \$10,000,000 on the bars and shoals of our great waterway.

We may thank Portland, for the denial. She has blown hot and cold on the Columbia river and bar improvements for 10, these many years; and the river has been channelled to meet the bar, while the bar has been kept back so as to admit nothing that could not ascend the river to Portland; hence, at the supreme moment of desire, we are confronted with the keenest turn-down in our history. And by way of accentuating this situation, we may call attention to the fact that when Portland realized that Colonel Roessler was one of those engineers who stand for the quick and wholesome prosecution of their duties and was making a telling record in jetty-work and bar improvement, she gets quietly to work to have him supplanted, and by a man who, while an able master of his profession, is socially amenable and rather more given to dawdling over the job that has already taken far too many years to complete. Two more years of Colonel Roessler's program at the jetties, would have seen them completed, and 30 to 40 feet of water on the barrier; and that was altogether too good a thing for the lower Columbia, with a beggarly 26 feet of water in the two rivers that flow between Portland and the sea.

Just how long the United States Government is going to be hoodwinked on this proposition is to be seen. But we do hope for the credit of the State and her normal expansion commercially, some man may reach the Congress and tell the straight truth about the Columbia river and the Columbia bar. God knows the story is well enough known in all Northern Oregon; it is one of the foulest traditions of the State, despite the infrequent and inspired chirpings of the Portland press for bar and river improvements.

Give us a 40-foot channel from the sea-curvature of the bar to the rock-barriers of The Dalles and the Falls of the Willamette! That's our plea; the plea that Portland will not and dare not echo!

The Armada will not be here. Even our great June flood will not tempt it in and up the river. Portland has taken care of that, alright, alright!

**EDITORIAL SALAD**

Now they are worried lest the Republicans reduce the Democratic representation from the South. That is about the only place left in which to continue the work of reducing it.

The great question of statesmanship is whether the Sherman anti-trust law shall be a dead letter, or whether it shall apply only to those other fellows.

Governor Johnson of Minnesota continues to give signals to the prompter that he is all ready to be dragged struggling to the centre of the stage.

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First make a list of your intimate friends. Those noted for their good cooking and housewifely virtues of course should head the list. Write to each of them a personal note, asking them to write out and send you their favorite recipe. In each note enclose a stamped envelope with a sheet of paper of uniform size for the written recipe. Then wait.

Presently in will come whole flocks of white envelopes, each enclosing the recipe which is the particular pride of the particular housewife who donates it. And before long what a collection you will have! When all the names have been accounted for, you must get to work and bind the sheets into a book. Vellum makes a good cover, and if a more serviceable one is desired, ooze leather, purchased at a leather shop, may be used. Red leather, lettered in gold or black, looks well, and the initials of the lucky recipient should be added in one corner. Just see what delight this gift will bring, and you will, I am sure, feel amply repaid.

A cough cure than can be given to children without chance of harm is Kemp's Balsam, the best cough cure. It does not contain poisons or harmful drugs. Druggists sell it.

**TAKE YOUR CHOICE.**

Have you ever almost "run" into some one on the street, and then dodged from side to side for half a minute, vainly endeavoring to pass, while the other person by some strange fatality blocked your every move by trying to pass you in the same way?

Such was the recent experience of a young man in Portland, Maine. He and a strange young woman had been going through this performance for several seconds, when his unwilling vis-a-vis staggered him by saying: "Well, hurry up! Which is it to be—a waltz or a two-step."—Woman's Home Companion for April.

**A Comprehensive Repentance.**

I didn't mean to do it;  
I surely meant it well,  
Nor knew you wouldn't like it,  
But how was I to tell?  
I didn't need to do it,  
But I didn't know it then,  
I'll ne'er do so again.  
—Harper's Weekly.

**How to Avoid Appendicitis.**

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"Yes," interrupted the photographer eagerly, "but I can give you an exact likeness if you wish."—Philadelphia Press.

**AN INSIDIOUS DANGER.**

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